

REMARKS

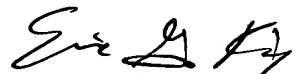
In response to the outstanding requirement for election of species, Applicants hereby elect Species I (Fig. 8) for prosecution on the merits. Claims 7-10, 30, 40-43 and 46 are considered to be readable on the elected species.

Claims 7-10, 13, 29-55 are pending in the case, of which Claims 13, 29, 31-39, 44, 45 and 47-55 will stand withdrawn as being directed to non-elected species. Claims 1-6, 11, 12 and 14-28 were previously cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. By this Amendment, Claims 30 and 46 have been amended for clarity of expression. Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications for the non-elected species.

An action on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (XA-9941) any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been separately requested, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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